

Amendments to the Claims:

Please cancel claims 1-52 and 59-64 without prejudice.

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the above-captioned application:

68. (New): A carrier medium comprising program instructions for developing a reinsurance administration system, wherein the program instructions are computer-executable to implement a method of:

obtaining a reinsurance framework, wherein the reinsurance framework comprises: one or more classes of objects designed for a reinsurance administration system; a plurality of support processes; and a plurality of hook methods;

creating one or more reinsurance subclasses from the reinsurance framework classes, wherein the one or more subclasses inherit one or more hook methods;

associating one or more of the support processes with one or more of the subclasses;

combining one or more subclasses to build one or more application programs for the reinsurance administration system; and

automatically generating reinsurance process objects as defined by the combined reinsurance process subclasses when one or more of the application programs are initiated.

69. (New) The carrier medium of claim 68, wherein the one or more classes of objects comprises one or more abstract classes, and wherein one or more sub-classes are created from one or more abstract classes.

70. (New) The carrier medium of claim 68, wherein the method further comprises modifying one or more of the subclass hook methods.

71. (New) The carrier medium of claim 70, wherein modifying one or more of the subclass hook methods comprises replacing one or more of the subclass hook methods with one or more new methods.
72. (New) The carrier medium of claim 68, wherein one of the hook methods comprises a method to be executed during initialization of one or more of the application programs.
73. (New) The carrier medium of claim 68, wherein one of the hook methods comprises a method to be executed prior to execution of a data entry support process.
74. (New) The carrier medium of claim 68, wherein one of the hook methods comprises a method to be executed during execution of data entry without a user interface
75. (New) The carrier medium of claim 68, wherein one of the hook methods comprises a method to be executed prior to execution of a database commit support process.
76. (New) The carrier medium of claim 68, wherein one of the hook methods comprises a method to be executed prior to execution of a database rollback support process.
77. (New) The carrier medium of claim 68, wherein one of the hook methods comprises a method to be executed during validation of data.
78. (New) The carrier medium of claim 68, wherein associating one or more of support processes with one or more of the subclasses comprises overriding one or more of the subclass hook methods with the support processes.

79. (New) The carrier medium of claim 68, wherein the one or more reinsurance framework support processes comprise a process for performing precondition checks.

80. (New) The carrier medium of claim 68, wherein the one or more reinsurance framework support processes comprise a process processes for performing syntax validation.

81. (New) The carrier medium of claim 68, wherein the one or more reinsurance framework support processes comprise a process for a graphical user interface.

82. (New) The carrier medium of claim 68, wherein the one or more reinsurance framework support processes comprise a process for determining the behavior of buttons in a graphical user interface.

83. (New) The carrier medium of claim 68, wherein the support processes comprise a process for controlling access to information as a function of an access right of a user.

84. (New) The carrier medium of claim 68, wherein the support processes comprise a process for determining functionality for formatting and displaying windows in a graphical user interface.

85. (New) The carrier medium of claim 68, wherein the support processes comprise a process for data validation.

86. (New) The carrier medium of claim 68, wherein the support processes comprise a process for security.

87. (New) The carrier medium of claim 68, wherein the support processes comprise a process for persistent data storage.

88. (New) The carrier medium of claim 68, wherein the reinsurance framework comprises an order for executing steps in the application programs.
89. (New) The carrier medium of claim 20, wherein the steps comprise pre-execution, data entry, data validation, pre-commission, commission, and post-commission.
90. (New) The carrier medium of claim 68, wherein the reinsurance framework comprises a process for logging and displaying error messages.
91. (New) The carrier medium of claim 68, wherein the reinsurance framework comprises a process for committing changes to a database.
92. (New) The carrier medium of claim 68, wherein the program instructions are further computer-executable to implement storing the one or more application programs on a storage device.
93. (New) The carrier medium of claim 68, wherein the carrier medium comprises a memory medium.
94. (New) The carrier medium of claim 68, wherein the carrier medium comprises a transmission medium.
95. (New) A method for developing a reinsurance administration system, the method comprising:

obtaining a reinsurance framework, wherein the reinsurance framework comprises: one or more classes of objects designed for a reinsurance administration system; a plurality of support processes; and a plurality of hook methods;

creating one or more reinsurance subclasses from the reinsurance framework classes, wherein the one or more subclasses inherit one or more hook methods;

associating one or more of the support processes with one or more of the subclasses;

combining one or more subclasses to build one or more application programs for the reinsurance administration system; and

automatically generating reinsurance process objects as defined by the combined reinsurance process subclasses when one or more of the application programs are initiated.

96. (New) The method of claim 95, wherein the one or more classes of objects comprises one or more abstract classes, and wherein one or more sub-classes are created from one or more abstract classes.

97. (New) The method of claim 95, wherein the method further comprises modifying one or more of the subclass hook methods.

98. (New) The method of claim 97, wherein modifying one or more of the subclass hook methods comprises replacing one or more of the subclass hook methods with one or more new methods.

99. (New) The method of claim 95, wherein one of the hook methods comprises a method to be executed during initialization of one or more of the application programs.

100. (New) The method of claim 95, wherein one of the hook methods comprises a method to be executed prior to execution of a data entry support process.

101. (New) The method of claim 95, wherein one of the hook methods comprises a method to be executed during execution of data entry without a user interface
102. (New) The method of claim 95, wherein one of the hook methods comprises a method to be executed prior to execution of a database commit support process.
103. (New) The method of claim 95, wherein one of the hook methods comprises a method to be executed prior to execution of a database rollback support process.
104. (New) The method of claim 95, wherein one of the hook methods comprises a method to be executed during validation of data.
105. (New) The method of claim 95, wherein associating one or more of support processes with one or more of the subclasses comprises overriding one or more of the subclass hook methods with the support processes.
106. (New) The method of claim 95, wherein the one or more reinsurance framework support processes comprise a process for performing precondition checks.
107. (New) The method of claim 95, wherein the one or more reinsurance framework support processes comprise a process processes for performing syntax validation.
108. (New) The method of claim 95, wherein the one or more reinsurance framework support processes comprise a process for a graphical user interface.

109. (New) The method of claim 95, wherein the one or more reinsurance framework support processes comprise a process for determining the behavior of buttons in a graphical user interface.

110. (New) The method of claim 95, wherein the support processes comprise a process for controlling access to information as a function of an access right of a user.

111. (New) The method of claim 95, wherein the support processes comprise a process for determining functionality for formatting and displaying windows in a graphical user interface.

112. (New) The method of claim 95, wherein the support processes comprise a process for data validation.

113. (New) The method of claim 95, wherein the support processes comprise a process for security.

114. (New) The method of claim 95, wherein the support processes comprise a process for persistent data storage.

115. (New) The method of claim 95, wherein the reinsurance framework comprises an order for executing steps in the application programs.

116. (New) The method of claim 95, wherein the steps comprise pre-execution, data entry, data validation, pre-commission, commission, and post-commission.

117. (New) The method of claim 95, wherein the reinsurance framework comprises a process for logging and displaying error messages.

118. (New) The method of claim 95, wherein the reinsurance framework comprises a process for committing changes to a database.

119. (New) The method of claim 95, wherein the program instructions are further computer-executable to implement storing the one or more application programs on a storage device.

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